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Vice Admiral Robert R. Monroe, USN Director, Defense Nuclear Agency Washington, D.C. 20305

Dear Bob.

Thanks for the excel <u>lent ar</u> ticle by	I have
long been a detractor of and agree with him almos	t entirely.
When I say "almost," I only question whether he in fact i	s correct
in his assumption that the Soviets have recognized the in	validity
of thesis and are planning a <u>guerre</u> <u>de</u> <u>course</u> .	J

There's no question that they have the capability to wage such a war, but there is a question as to whether they are in fact planning to do so (note the Germans did not plan to do so in either World War according to

CIA has recently completed a study on what evidence we have of Soviet intentions with regard to attacking the SLOCs. I have not actually participated in this or even reviewed it in any detail yet. I am going to have to do so before I meet with the Secretary of the Navy to discuss it in the middle of September. I am attaching a copy and would be grateful for any views you have.

Yours An

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